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In re Patent Application of:

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CHROMATOGRAPH COLUMN

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 21, 2010, for which a response was due on December 21, 2010. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to March 21, 2011. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.